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### NEWS RELEASE

United States Attorney Michael L. Levy today announced the filing of an Information<sup>1</sup> against John Collins charging him with possession of child pornography that has been transported or manufactured in interstate commerce, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2252(a)(4).

#### INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANTS

NAME	ADDRESS	YEAR OF BIRTH
John Collins	Easton, PA	1966

If convicted the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of 10 years imprisonment, a mandatory five-year period up to a lifetime of supervised release, a \$250,000 fine, and a \$100 special assessment.

The case was investigated by Immigration and Customs Enforcement and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Joan E. Burnes.

This case was brought as part of Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative to combat the growing epidemic of child sexual exploitation and abuse launched in May 2006 by the Department of Justice. Led by United States Attorneys' Offices and the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section (CEOS), Project Safe Childhood marshals federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as to identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit [www.projectsafechildhood.gov](http://www.projectsafechildhood.gov).

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<sup>1</sup>An Indictment or Information is an accusation. A defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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